

## Diary Events This Week:

**SUN 11<sup>th</sup> Sept:** 9.30am: No Children's Liturgy; 2pm: Indian Dance Class. 4.30pm: No Young Adults Group (20-30+); **MONDAY:** 9am: Pre-School Club\*; 3.20pm: After-School Club\* 6pm: Cubs; 7.30pm: Scouts. 7.30pm: Social Committee; **TUESDAY:** Seekers, GFF Youth Group; 7.30pm: Prayer Group; **WEDNESDAY:** 7.30pm: Irish Dance Class; **THURSDAY:** 6.15pm: Beavers; **FRIDAY:** **SATURDAY:** 9am: Pilates; 10.30am: Spanish Class; 7.30pm; AA Meeting. \* *These events each day Mon – Fri. Advance Diary Dates: Sept. 24<sup>th</sup>* > Messy Church.

### PARISH PETITION BOOK

near Our Lady's statue. For your intentions which will be prayed for at the Sunday Masses and at other times.

### NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL: First Saturday - 10.00am Mass.

Blest medals available,

**ABORTION RECOVERY HELPLINE** Arch can help: 0845 603 8501- Poster

### SAFEGUARDING

Parish Safeguarding Officers are Mike Simpson and Brenda Scales

**NEW TO THE PARISH? Or if you have changed:** email, phone or address? Please complete the *Details Update Form* available in the porch.

### CENACOLO COMMUNITY:

Thank you for your support with gifts

**PRESTON FOOD BANK** Thanks for last collection. **Next: Sept 17/18**

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** to help with the Youth Groups on Tues evening. If you are able to spare a couple of hours each week in term time please see Fr. D. or email [frdarren@saintclares.co.uk](mailto:frdarren@saintclares.co.uk) Age range school years 4-6 & 7-11.

### FROM THE PTFA

Used Batteries / Mobile Phones please place in box in porch. Funds to Bosnia

**200 CLUB: August winners:** 1<sup>st</sup> Prize £156.25 No 121 Lynn Buckley; 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize £93.75 No 31 Patsy Cockburn; 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize £62.50 No. 125 Paula Sugden.

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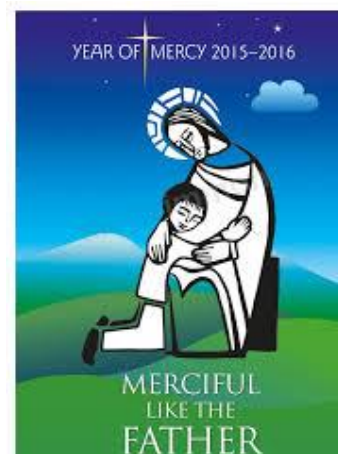
## ST CLARE'S CATHOLIC CHURCH TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR 11<sup>th</sup> September 2016



The parable featured in today's Gospel is often called 'The Prodigal Son' but more accurately it is the parable of 'The Merciful Father.' The emphasis should not be on the prodigality of the wayward boy but on the abundant mercy of the Father.

In real life, God is the merciful one and we are the those who have gone astray. We are encouraged, like the boy in the parable, to 'come to our senses' and turn back to the Father through repentance.

### 'This child of mine was lost and is found!'



### 2016 DUCK RACE

Tickets £2 each on sale after the Masses today

1st Prize-£50; 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize£10.

**The race will be held on Saturday 24th Sept.**  
10:30am at Brock Valley Picnic Site. All Welcome bring your family.

### PARISH QUIZ

(Family Friendly)

**Friday 23rd Sept 7pm**

Adults £2 Children £1

Tickets available today

Proceeds of both to porch fund

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**MASSSES THIS WEEK: 11<sup>th</sup> Sept: – Mass Book Page 136**

Office: Psalter Wk. 4; Sunday: Cycle C; Weekdays Year 2

**TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR**

6pm: Elsie Rice RIP **Vigil**

7pm: Holy Mass – with the NeoCatechumenal Way

9.30am: People of the Parish

6pm: Mavis Dobson RIP

**Collection: Catholic Education Services**

**Monday The Most Holy Name of Mary**

9am: Maria Fairclough RIP

5.15pm: Mass in RPH

**Tuesday St. John Chrysostom**

7pm: Joe Lever RIP

**Wednesday EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS**

9am: Deceased Memembers of the Ekbury Family

7.30pm: Liturgy of the Word with the NeoCatechumenal Community

**Thursday Our Lady of Sorrows**

7pm: Special Intention (JH)

**Friday SS. Cornelius & Cyprian**

Noon: John Holden RIP

**1pm:** Wedding Service

5.15pm: Mass in RPH

**Saturday of wk 24**

10am: Catherine Burns RIP and Family

**TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR**

6pm: Hilda & Peter McNeela RIP **Vigil**

7pm: Holy Mass – with the NeoCatechumenal Way

9.30am: Jim & Doris Mattinson RIP

6pm: People of the Parish

**Home Mission Sunday – Special Collection**

**LATELY DEAD:** John Holden.

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Jane Martin, Anne Shaw, Sheila Rowlands, Frederick Wilson, Lena Bernie.

**Pope's Prayer Intentions for September: 1.** That each may contribute to the common good and to the building of a society that places the human person at the centre. **2.** That by participating in the Sacraments and meditating on Scripture Christians may become more aware of their mission to evangelise.

**RPH CHAPLAINCY:** Can you spare 2 hours per week either morning, afternoon or evening? Then please consider becoming a volunteer visitor in the Catholic Chaplaincy team. Information: see the poster on the church notice board or contact: Fr Darren Carden: 01772 719604 or email [fdarren@saintclares.co.uk](mailto:fdarren@saintclares.co.uk)

**PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM:** with the Lancaster Diocese. 29<sup>th</sup> Sept to 1<sup>st</sup> Oct. £176 full board, places still available. See poster.

**Rosary for Life Challenge-**  
The Mysteries of Light will be prayed each day after the 9am Masses and before the Friday noon Mass, for this intention

**THIS IS THE EXTRAORDINARY  
JUBILEE HOLY YEAR OF MERCY**

**EXPOSITION:**  
Each morning:  
Mon – Fri: 7 - 8am  
**Sat 10.30am-Noon**  
Intention: for priestly vocations.  
**CONFESSIONS:**  
Sat 11-12 noon.  
Or by appointment.

**TO BECOME A CATHOLIC (or to learn more about the faith):** See leaflet in this bulletin.

**GOOD NEWS!** A substantial donation has been given anonymously for the rebuilding of the porch. We will now be able to move forward and begin planning in earnest.

**WORLD YOUTH DAY PRESENTATION:** Friday Sept 16<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in the Hall, The young people who attended the pilgrimage in Poland will give their experience of the pilgrimage. Many parishioners supported the 7 young people from Hodovo who attend this event. Our young people will speak for them. Everyone welcome

**FIRST CONFESSION COURSE:** Parents' Meeting: **Thurs 22<sup>nd</sup> Sept.** 7.30pm.

**PARISH MAGAZINE:** latest edition in the porch. Please read and pass on.

**MESSY CHURCH:** Sat 24<sup>th</sup> Sept 1.30-3pm. Theme: Feeding the Five Thousand.

**FLOWER ARRANGERS:** We would like to augment our team of Flower Arrangers. Please see Fr L for details.

**PARISH RECIPE BOOK:** We hope to compile one with *your* favourite recipes and sell them to raise funds for the Church Porch Extension. Please hand your recipes to Fr. L. with your name on them. **More recipes needed!**

**ST CLARE'S SCOUT GROUP:** require additional leaders 18+, 2 hours a week, training given, contact [accampbell@btinternet.com](mailto:accampbell@btinternet.com)

**CATHOLIC CERTIFICATE IN RELIGIOUS STUDIES:** An excellent course run by the diocese. Well worth exploring. See details in porch.

**CLOSING MASS:** for the **Year of Priestly Vocations** **Tues 27<sup>th</sup> Sept at 12.15pm** St. Peter's Cathedral, Lancaster .Celebrant: Bishop Michael Campbell OSA

**ON-LINE SHOPPING:** visit [www.easyfundraising.org.uk](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk) before you shop.

**CARING FOR CARERS:** Thurs. 15<sup>th</sup> Sept at Tabor. See Poster.

**BOARBANK HALL:** *Autumn Break* with Guest Speakers see leaflets

**FIRE & LIGHT:** Wed 14<sup>th</sup> Sept. **Also BRAVE OF HEART** - A Weekend Journey for Men 17<sup>th</sup> - 18<sup>th</sup> Sept, Cor et Lumen Christi, Wigton, CA7 9HU Visit [www.coretlumenchristi.org](http://www.coretlumenchristi.org) or Email: [stcuthberts@coretlumenchristi.org](mailto:stcuthberts@coretlumenchristi.org)

**FARMERS' MARKET with FAIRTRADE:** at Fulwood Methodist Church on Sat. 24<sup>th</sup> Sept. 10am-2pm Details on the poster.

**WOMEN IN MID-LIFE:** Sat. 24<sup>th</sup> Sept at Tabor. See the poster for details.

**CONCERT: of Sacred Music** Thurs. 22<sup>nd</sup> Sept 7.30pm Broughton Parish Church.

**CAFOD: Preston Meeting** – Mon. 26<sup>th</sup> Sept 7-8.30pm at St. Wilfrid's. Poster.

**PRIZE BINGO:** at St. Andrew's, Cottam 17<sup>th</sup> Sept 11am. See poster.

**LAST WEEK:** Attended: 400; Collection: £951.00. Thank you

